(a) (1) whether there was recently any complaint before the Second Class Magistrate of Trichur that a tank used by the Hindus at Olarikkara to the west of the Trichur town was attempted to be used by the Christains of Aranattukara, and

(2) what are the orders of the Magistrate in the matter;

(b) has the Diwan Peishkar submitted any report about this tank; if so, what is it?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(a) (1) Yes.

(2) The petition was recorded.

(b) No report by the Diwan Peishkar.

Stamp Defalcation in the Excise Superintendent's Office.

460. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to state what orders have been passed by the Government in the matter for which the departmental enquiry referred to in the answer to question No. 16 (c) of Legislative Session of Vrischigam 1103 was conducted?

Mr. C. V. Antony.—Orders have not been passed.

Audit report of the Southern Divisional Forest Office.

461. **Mr. C. A. Kujunnni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table of the House the audit report of the accounts of the Southern Divisional Forest Office for the 1st quarter of 1103 with the connected report on the accounts of the Office of the Conservator of Forests?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—The audit report referred to is still under the consideration of the Government and cannot, therefore, be placed on the Table.

Disposal of the petitions of the late Salt Contractor.

462. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to state if orders have been passed on the petitions of the late salt contractor Mr. Arunachalam Chettiar referred to in question No. 11 of the Special Session of 1104; if so, what are the orders?

Mr. C. V. Antony.—Orders have not been passed.

Repairs to Kottavu Chira.

463. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to state if any repairs have been made by the Government during the last 10 years to 'Kottavu' *chira* in Choondal

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village, Talappalli Taluk; if so, when and how much money was spent for the same and what was the nature of the repairs;

(b) is there any arrangement by the Government for the maintenance of this *chira*; if so, what is it?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—(a) (1) No.

(2) This does not arise in view of the answer to part 1.

(b) No.

Article in the 'Chitrabhanu' newspaper, dated 18th Vrischigam 1104.

464. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) if its attention was drawn to the article "ചമച്ചതാരാകും' in the "ചിത്രഭാനു" newspaper in its issue dated 18th Vrischigam 1104;

(b) does the Government propose to take any action on the allegations in it?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) There was no issue on the date mentioned.

(b) In view of the reply to (a) no answer is necessary.

Sale of bamboos to Subrahmanya Ayyar.

465. **Mr. A. S. Harihara Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether a felling contract for 5,000 bamboos was given to late Mr. Subrahmanya Ayyar in 1091 No. 177 in Palappilli;

(b) is it the practice that collection should first be certified by the beat guard and the Department to issue passes on that certificate;

(c) was the practice followed in issuing passes to Mr. Subrahmanya Ayyar for the above bamboos; if not, why not;

(d) did the beat guard report that Mr. Subrahmanya Ayyar had not obtained his countersignature;

(e) was he right in his report;

(f) what was the nature of the complaint for dismissal of that guard A. Achyutan Nayar;

(g) was any enquiry held before his dismissal;

(h) the names of persons from whom evidence was received;

(i) can the evidence be placed on the Table?

Mr. K. Govinda Menon.—(a) Nothing in the name of Mr. Subrahmanya Ayyar, but it was in the name of Mr. T. R. Subbarama Ayyar.

(b) Yes.

(c) to (i) No reply can be given as the records of the late Kodasseri Range relating to the subject in 1091 are not forth-

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